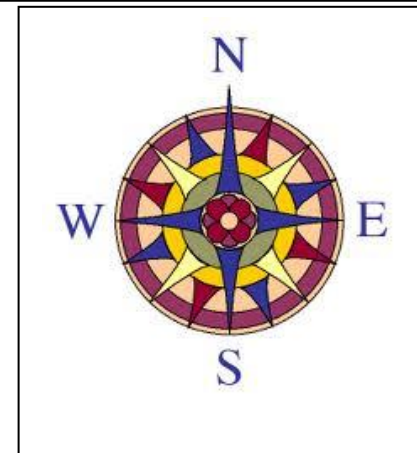




Site 11: Hangar B

N 40° 35' 42.71"

W 73° 53' 2.18"



When the United States entered World War II in 1941, preparation for war on Floyd Bennett Field was already underway. Hangar B was constructed in 1941, to complete the work begun with the dredging of the seaplane channels in Jamaica Bay. From 1941 through 1945 seaplanes were ferried to every theater of war, and squadrons of anti – submarine aircraft patrolled and protected convoys of ships leaving New York Harbor from Hangar B and its sister Hangar A (now demolished.) The role of Naval Air-station New York included providing support for the Atlantic Fleet, as well as the ferrying of tens of thousands of aircraft from factories on New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut to the fleet. Combined with the patrol duties, Floyd Bennett Filed proved to be one of the most important bases of support from the home front.

Visit Instructions: Notice the “ghosts” of letters just visible on the West face of Hangar B and write it down.